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SUBJ: REMARKS OF BOLIVIAN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE FOR PRESENTA-
TION OF CREDENTIALS

1. BOLIVIAN AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE TO THE US, ROBERTO CAPRILES,
HAS PROVIDED THE EMBASSY WITH THE TEXT OF HIS PRESENTATION OF
CREDENTIALS REMARKS TO FACILITATE ARRANGEMENTS FOR HIS
ARRIVAL.

2. THE ENGLISH TRANSLATION IS AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE: MR. PRESIDENT: IN THIS AGE OF TRANSITION AND CHANGE,
NATIONS TEND TO ESTABLISH NEW FORMS OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
THROUGH COHERENT PROCESSES IN ORDER TO COMPLEMENT EACH OTHER
IN A MORE EFFECTIVE WAY THAN IN THE PAST. PROBLEMS OF ALL
COUNTRIES, NO MATTER HOW SMALL THESE COUNTRIES MAY BE, DEMAND
NOW WORLDWIDE INTEREST DUE TO THE EXISTING CLOSE INTERACTION
AMONG THEM. THEREFORE, NATIONS TODAY MUST DEAL WITH EACH OTHER
THROUGH MORE CONSTRUCTIVE TERMS IN A WORLD IN WHICH PEACE
AND JUSTICE IS TO PREVAIL.

"FOR BOLIVIA, ONE OF THE LESS DEVELOPED COUNTRIES, THIS
PROCESS OF INTERACTION IS EVEN MORE RELEVANT PARTICULARLY IN
VIEW OF HER LANDLOCKED CONDITION AND TO HER PECULIAR GEO-
GRAPHIC LOCATION IN THE HEART OF SOUTH AMERICA.

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"WE ARE CONVINCED THAT SUCH CONCEPTS ARE EQUALLY IMPORTANT FOR ALL HIGHLY DEVELOPED COUNTRIES AND MAINLY FOR THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, A COUNTRY THAT SHARES THE SAME CONTINENT WITH BOLIVIA.

"WITHIN THIS CONTEXT OUR RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA HAVE ALWAYS DESERVED OUR UTMOST CONSIDERATION. THE COMMERCIAL, FINANCIAL AND CULTURAL TIES BETWEEN OUR TWO NATIONS REQUIRE AMPLE AND CONSTANT DEALINGS AND CONTACTS. IT IS BOLIVIA'S GREATEST WISH TO EXPAND AND INTENSIFY INCREASINGLY THESE EXCELLENT BONDS THAT LINK TOGETHER OUR PEOPLES UNDER PRINCIPLES OF BROTHERHOOD AND MUTUAL BENEFIT.

"PERSONALLY I FEEL GREAT SATISFACTION FOR THE OPPORTUNITY THAT HAS BEEN GIVEN TO ME IN PARTICIPATING IN THE TASK OF STRENGTHENING AND FURTHERING THE FRIENDLY RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND BOLIVIA. THERE ARE A NUMBER OF AREAS WHERE THE ATTENTION AND MUTUAL INTEREST OF OUR GOVERNMENTS MAY CONCUR SO AS TO ACHIEVE CLOSE UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION. THE IDENTIFICATION OF FIELDS OFFERING NEW POSSIBILITIES OR ALREADY EXPLORED ONES WHERE IT WOULD BE PRACTICAL TO INTENSIFY AND DEEPEN OUR JOINT ACTION IS A PERMANENT CONCERN OF THE DIPLOMATIC SERVICES OF BOTH NATIONS. IT IS MY PURPOSE TO DEVOTE MY BEST EFFORTS IN PURSUING THIS NOBLE OBJECTIVE AND I AM CERTAIN THAT EVERY OFFICER WORKING IN THESE MATTERS IN BOLIVIA AS WELL AS IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, IS DOING HIS BEST IN ORDER TO ATTAIN THE AFOREMENTIONED ENDS.

"THE GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE OF BOLIVIA ARE ENGAGED IN THE CRUCIAL TASK OF REFORMING THE BASIC STRUCTURES OF THE COUNTRY SO AS TO CONVERT IT INTO A MODERN STATE. THIS ENDEAVOR EMPHASIZES EVEN MORE THE NEED TO PROMOTE AND ACTION OF GREAT SIGNIFICANCE IN OUR FOREIGN RELATIONS. SEVERAL PROBLEMS, SOME OF THEM WITH IMPLICATIONS THAT GO BEYOND OUR BOUNDARIES, AFFECT SEVERELY THE BOLIVIAN PEOPLE. MANY OF THESE MATTERS REQUIRE SOLUTIONS INVOLVING THE UNDERSTANDING, SOLIDARITY AND COOPERATION OF FRIENDLY NATIONS, SINCE SUCH PROBLEMS CONCERN THE INTER-AMERICAN COMMUNITY.

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"BOLIVIA BECAME INDEPENDENT WITH A LARGE TERRITORY AND AN EXTENSIVE COAST WITH FULL ACCESS TO SEAWAYS AND THE WEALTH OF SEAS. HISTORIC CIRCUMSTANCES DETERMINED BOLIVIA'S CURRENT LAND-LOCKED CONDITION WHICH SEVERELY LIMITS HER POSSIBILITIES FOR SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, A LEGITIMATE ASPIRATION OF MY PEOPLE. AT THE SAME TIME THIS CONDITION GENERATES A PERTURBING FACTOR WITHIN HEMISPHERIC RELATIONS. SUCH SITUATION

AFFECTS MY COUNTRY NOT ONLY EMOTIONALLY BUT IN A FACTUAL MANNER, ALTHOUGH OF COURSE IT IS THE SOURCE OF A PROFOUND NATIONAL FEELING. OUR GREATEST ASPIRATION IS ACCESS TO THE SEA WHICH WE BELIEVE TO BE AN UNAVOIDABLE NEED FROM THE ECONOMIC POINT OF VIEW AS WELL AS AN ACT OF INTERNATIONAL JUSTICE.

"FORTUNATELY FOREIGN OPINION HAS EXPRESS ITS CLEAR RECOGNITION FOR BOLIVIA'S ASPIRATION AND NEED TO RETURN TO THE SEA. POSSIBILITIES TO FIND A SOLUTION TO THIS SERIOUS PROBLEM CAN BE AT LAST GLIMPSED. PRACTICAL CONCEPTIONS IDENTIFIED WITH INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION THROUGH ACTIONS TENDING TO STRENGTHEN THE INTER-AMERICAN SYSTEM ARE REQUIRED. THE DECLARATION OF AYACUCHO CONSTITUTES THE FIRST POSITIVE STEP IN THIS DIRECTION.

"EVEN THOUGH AFFECTED BY THE SERIOUS LIMITATION OF ITS ENCLOISTERED CONDITION, BOLIVIA, BECAUSE OF HER GEOGRAPHY IS CALLED UPON TO PERFORM THE IMPORTANT MISSION OF A LAND OF CONTACTS AND CONNECTIONS IN SOUTH AMERICA, AND DUE TO ITS CONDITION OF BEING A NATURAL LINK BETWEEN THE PACIFIC AND THE ATLANTIC OCEANS IT MIGHT, THEREFORE, BECOME A FACTOR OF INFLUENCE IN THE REGIONAL BALANCE.

"THIS ROLE REQUIRES THAT BOLIVIA SHOULD OVERCOME HER LIMITATIONS WHICH, IN A WORLD OF CLOSE INTERRELATIONS, MAY ALSO AFFECT OUR FELLOW COUNTRIES.

"CONSEQUENTLY BOLIVIA IS DETERMINED TO GO AHEAD WITH EFFECTIVE SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEASURES. OUR COUNTRY IS POOR NOTWITHSTANDING HER POTENTIAL IMPRESSIVE NATURAL RESOURCES. THE POSSIBILITIES FOR AN ACCELERATED AND SUSTAINED GROWTH ARE IN SIGHT. EVEN THOUGH WE ARE IMMERSSED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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IN THE VICIOUS CIRCLE OF UNDERDEVELOPMENT, WE HAVE THE FIRM DETERMINATION TO OVERCOME OBSTACLES BLOCKING US FROM REACHING OUR TAKE-OFF TOWARD PROGRESS.

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WE BELIEVE THAT THIS OBJECTIVE HAS TO BE ATTAINED FUND-
AMENTALLY, ON THE BASIS OF BOLIVIA'S OWN EFFORTS, COURAGE
AND DETERMINATION. WE ARE CONVINCED THAT ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
FINDS ITS JUSTIFICATION IN THE BETTERMENT OF SOCIAL ORDER. IN
THIS SENSE OUR GOVERNMENT IS MAKING GREAT EFFORTS TO PROVIDE
ALL BOLIVIAN WITH THE NECESSARY CONDITIONS FOR A MOST AMPLE
REALIZATION OF THE HUMAN PERSON.

"CURRENT INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ARE BASED TO A GREAT DEAL
ON INTERCHANGE, ALTHOUGH THEY ARE IN THE LAST ANALYSIS GOVERNED
BY POLITICAL CONSIDERATIONS. IT IS OUR OBJECTIVE TO INCREASE
THIS INTERCHANGE WITH ALL COUNTRIES, BUT OUR DESIRE IS TO DO
SO WITHIN TERMS OF COOPERATION BASED UPON MUTUAL BENEFITS,
RECIPROCAL INTERESTS AND DEEP RESPECT, THAT SHOULD LEAD
US TO THE MORE EFFECTIVELY COMPLEMENT OF ALL OUR COUNTRIES.

"THE FULFILLMENT OF THESE PRUPOSES REQUIRES SUPPORT AND
COOPERATION FROM FRIENDLY NATIONS, INTERESTED IN THE COMMON
GOAL OF CONSOLIDATING A BETTER WORLD. THE COOPERATION THAT WE
REQUIRE SHOULD TAKE INTO ACCOUNT OUR CONDITION AS A LESS
DEVELOPED COUNTRY. THIS CONCEPT HAS BEEN ALREADY RATIFIED BY
HEMISPHERIC AGREEMENTS WHICH GIVE US PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT
IN THE CONTEXT OF MULTILATERAL RELATIONS. A SYSTEM OF
PREFERENCES IS NOT IMPROPER, ON THE CONTRARY IT IS THE
EXPRESSION OF A NEW MENTALITY REGULATING RELATIONS BETWEEN
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COUNTRIES DESIROUS TO LAY THE CORNERSTONE OF UNIVERSAL PEACE
AND PROGRESS.

"IN THESE SENSE IMPROVED WAYS IN DEALING WITH OUR BASIC
PRODUCTS IN EQUITABLE TERMS ARE NECESSARY SO AS TO ENABLE US
TO REACH AN OPTIMUM UTILIZATION OF BOLIVIAN NATURAL RESOURCES,

FOR THE BENEFIT, NOT ONLY OF HER PEOPLE BUT ALSO OF ALL
PEOPLES IN NEED. ATTAINMENT OF THESE OBJECTIVES DEPEND
GREATLY ON INTER-NATIONAL UNDERSTANDING AND COOPERATION.

"MY REMARKS ARE ONLY INTENDED TO CONVEY OUR CONCERN TO FIND
BETTER WAYS FOR A POSITIVE RELATIONSHIP FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR
PEOPLES. TO DISCUSS THESE AND OTHER SUBJECTS THROUGH CONSTANT
EXCHANGE OF OPINIONS BY MEANS OF BILATERAL AND MULTILATERAL
CONSULTATION WILL UNDOUBTLY BE FRUITFUL.

"TO CONCLUDE, MR. PRESIDENT, I WISH TO EXPRESS MY PERSONAL
APPRECIATION FOR THE WARM RECEPTION I RECEIVED IN YOUR GREAT
COUNTRY. IT REPRESENTS FOR ME AN INSPIRING SIGNAL AT THE OUTSET
OF MY MISSION TO WHICH I WILL DEVOTE MY BEST EFFORTS IN THE
UNDERSTANDING THAT I MAY BE ABLE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE HIGH AIMS
THAT OUR TWO COUNTRIES ADVOCATE FOR THE PROMOTION OF JUSTICE
AND WELL-BEING FOR ALL PEOPLES. UNQUOTE.

3. A COPY OF THE SPANISH TEXT WILL BE POUCHED TO ARA/B.

4. AMBASSADOR CAPRILES WILL INFORM THE EMBASSY OF HIS TRAVEL
PLANS FOR FORWARDING TO THE DEPARTMENT.
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